

## Department of Natural Resources

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## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE THIRD EXPANSION OF THE OOOGURUK UNIT

The Department of Natural Resources (Department) gives notice under 11 AAC 83.311 of an application for approval of the Third Expansion of the Oooguruk Unit. The Oooguruk Unit is located on the North Slope of Alaska, northwest of the Kuparuk River Unit and west of the Nikaitchuq Unit. Pioneer Natural Resources Alaska, Inc. (Pioneer), the Oooguruk Unit Operator, filed an application to expand the Oooguruk Unit with the Division of Oil and Gas which was deemed complete on February 10, 2014. Pioneer's address is 700 G. Street, Suite 600, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

The proposed Oooguruk Unit expansion area covers approximately 156.25 acres within three State of Alaska leases and includes all or portions of the following lands:

T12N-R7E, Tract B, UM, Sections 4 and 5 T13N-R7E, Tract B, UM, Sections 31 and 32

In accordance with 11 AAC 83.356, geological, geophysical, and engineering information were submitted in support of the application to expand the Oooguruk Unit. The application will be approved if consistent with 11 AAC 83.303, and other applicable statutes and regulations.

You may review the non-confidential portions of the application on the Division of Oil and Gas' website at: <a href="http://www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/Units/Units.htm#recentpubnot">http://www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/Units/Units.htm#recentpubnot</a>, or in person at the Division's office at 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1100, Anchorage, Alaska. Copies of the non-confidential portions of the application are also available by writing to the Division of Oil and Gas, Units Section, at the above address. The Department charges a photocopy fee of \$.25 per sheet 11 AAC 05.010(a)(16)(C).

Any person may file written comment on the application. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m., Alaska Time, Monday, March 17, 2014, and should be mailed to the Division of Oil and Gas, attention Don Perrin, Unit Manager, at the above address. The Department will consider all timely written comments and evaluate the application based on the criteria in 11 AAC 83.303, 11 AAC 83.351 and 11 AAC83.356. Within 60 days after the close of the comment period, the Department will issue a written decision to approve or deny the unit expansion application. Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services, or alternative communication formats, please contact Celeste Hayes at (907) 296-8507, or TDD (907) 269-8411 (5 days before end of comment period).

This notice also appears on the State of Alaska website at <a href="http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/pubnotfrm.htm">http://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/pubnotfrm.htm</a>.

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